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Application No. 09/954,507

**RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS**

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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR MAINTAINING CONNECTION STATE BETWEEN A CONNECTION MANAGER AND A FAILOVER DEVICE

Application Elements:



Declaration



Newly executed (original or copy)



Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d) for a continuation or divisional).  
The entire disclosure of the prior application from which a copy of the declaration is  
herein supplied is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying  
application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.



Deletion of inventors Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named  
in the prior application, see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).

Accompanying Application Parts:



Information Disclosure Statement with Form PTO-1449



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Preliminary Amendment (*New claims numbered after highest original claim in prior application.*)



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- Verified Statement Claiming Small Entity Status filed in prior application. Status still proper and desired.  
 Other:

Amendments

- Cancel in this application original claims \_\_\_\_\_ of the prior application before calculating the filing fee. (At least one original independent claim must be retained.)

Fee Calculation (37 CFR § 1.16)

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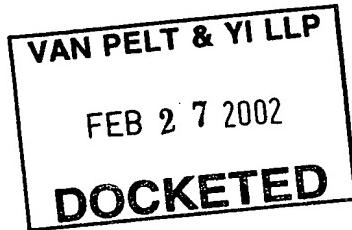
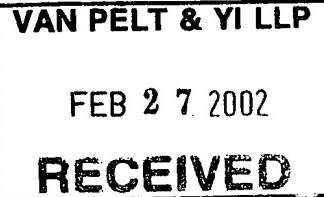
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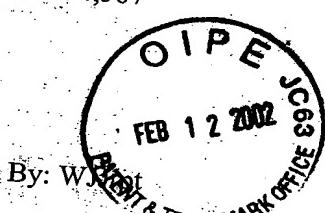


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